MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : ഗവണ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നും വാങ്ങിച്ചുവച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ഗ്രന്ഥങ്ങൾ കളഞ്ഞ ആഫീസരുടെമേൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറ് എന്തു നടപടി നടത്തി?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : വിശേഷാൽനടപടി ഒന്നും നടത്തിയില്ല; അതു റിക്കാർഡുചെയ്തു.

MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : മറുള്ളവരുടെ സാമാനം വാങ്ങി അതു തിരിയെ കൊടുക്കാതെ കളഞ്ഞ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥൻെറമേൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറ് ഒരു നടപടിയും നടത്തിയില്ലെ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): ആരാണു് ഉത്തരവാദി എന്നുള്ളതിനു തെളിവില്ലായിരുന്നു.

MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : എൻകപയറി നടത്തി തെളിവുവാങ്ങിയില്ലെ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : ഇല്ല; ഒരു റിട്ടയാർഡ് ആഫീസർക്കുടി ചുമതലക്കാരനായതുകൊണ്ടു വേണ്ടെന്നുവച്ചു.

MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : ഈ നഷ്ടം റിക്കൂപ്പുചെയ്യണമെന്നു വിചാരിക്കുന്നുണ്ടൊ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിച്ചു എഴുതി അയച്ചില്ല.

MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : എഴുതിഅയക്കുന്നതാ ാലൊ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : ആപ്പോൾ ആലോചിക്കാം.

Functions of Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar.

177. MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the functions of Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar as Legal and Constitutional Adviser ; and

(*b*) who was discharging these functions prior to Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyar's appointment as adviser ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) To tender advice to His Highness the Maha Raja concerning the political and constitutional questions confronting the State at the present moment, particularly with reference to its future relations with British India and other Indian States.

(*b*) The need for such an adviser arose only recently. Before the appointment no one exclusively was attending to these functions.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : May I know who is responsible for tendering advice to His Highness the Maha Raja on legal and constitutional questions at present? Is it the Dewan or Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar?

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PRESIDENT: That question does not arise.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Sir, my question was:

"Who was discharging these functions prior to Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar's appointment as Adviser?" The answer is "The need for such an Adviser arose only recently. Before the appointment no one exclusively was attending to these functions."

I never asked the question who *exclusively attended* to these functions. I merely wanted to know who was attending, previously, to these functions.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Dewan was attending to these functions so far as he could.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): It is stated in the answer that the need for such an Adviser arose only recently. May I know why the need arose only recently?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because of the various political changes that are now in contemplation in British India.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Those questions came into contemplation in British India long before the appointment of Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar here.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Not very long before the appointment.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): The Round Table Conference was held long before that.

PRESIDENT: You can only ask a question; you cannot argue.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The question of our relationship with the rest of India came into prominence only recently.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know how long this appointment is to continue?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That question has not yet been decided.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know whether Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar is a full-time officer or is it only a professional engagement?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am not in a position to answer that.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Sir, the Chief Secretary must be in a position to tell the House whether Sir Ramaswami Aiyar is a full-time officer or not. That arises out of my question. That is a very simple matter. Am I to take it that the Chief Secretary does not know, or that the answer cannot be given?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He is not a full-time officer under the Government.

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